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Statement from District 6 Councilwoman Natasha Williams on Banneker High School Incident

(CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GA – January 28, 2022) – City of South Fulton District 6 Councilwoman Natasha Williams issued the following statement this morning regarding an incident in which two Bannaker High School students were injured Wednesday.

"I was shocked and saddened to hear of the altercation Wednesday at Banneker High School that resulted in senseless violence with the stabbing of two students. Thankfully and mercifully, neither victim sustained life-threatening injuries.

After receiving word, I immediately contacted South Fulton's Police Chief Keith Meadows to learn the details. I want to make it clear that the incident was not prompted by a shooting the night before, as has been reported.

I commend Banneker Principal Jason Stamper, Chief Meadows and the South Fulton Police Department for their prompt response and handling of this case. Their quick and deliberate actions likely kept the case from a worse outcome and ensured the wellbeing of other students, teachers and staff. I appreciate them both for their hard work and dedication to the safety of our youth and all residents.

However, they alone cannot prevent such incidents in our community. We, as neighbors, must join hands and actively engage in a dialogue and partnership that effectively prevent such acts from occurring. It is by working together that will ensure the success of our young people and each other and continue to move our community forward."

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